

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 19 Nov 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 20 Nov 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 18 Nov 2020 at 14:14

Confidence: High for very cold conditions on Thursday then a return to cloudy, wet and mild on Friday. Lower confidence for timing of rain clearance on Saturday morning.

Headline for Thursday 19 Nov 2020: Very cold with bright spells and a few wintry showers. Strong winds slowly easing.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 19 Nov 2020

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

High Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Sleet	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
70%	70%	80%	70%	70%	30%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Thursday 19 Nov 2020

Weather: Outbreaks of rain overnight and early morning, turning to snow above 500m before clearing in the morning. A very cold day will follow with sunny spells and a few showers, falling as snow above 500m. Showers will die out during the afternoon then a cold and dry evening with a frost but high cloud will arrive from the west later.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: 40% overnight with occasional cloud cover above 500m. Cloud becoming patchy through the morning with almost all hills becoming cloud-free by the afternoon.

Visibility: Often poor on high slopes overnight and briefly poor as wintry showers move through during the morning. Excellent air clarity between showers and more generally in the afternoon with clear views of distant hills.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	30/41 W	30/43 W	29/40 NW	23/32 NW	18/25 NW	14/19 NW	9/13 W	9/14 SW	12/19 SW
300	19/40 W	19/39 W	17/36 NW	11/25 NW	11/21 NW	8/17 NW	5/12 W	6/13 SW	7/18 SW
Valley	17/39 W	17/38 W	15/35 NW	10/23 NW	10/22 NW	7/16 NW	5/12 W	5/12 SW	5/14 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	5/-2	3/-4	3/-4	2/-4	2/-3	2/-3	1/-2	2/-2	2/-2
300	7/2	6/1	5/0	5/1	5/2	5/2	3/1	3/1	4/1
Valley	8/4	6/2	6/2	5/2	6/3	6/3	4/2	4/2	4/3
Freezing Level*	1200m	1000m	900m	800m	700m	700m	700m	700m	900m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Meteorologist's View

A blast of Arctic air will make it feel bitterly cold compared to recent days. A severe wind chill during the morning but winds easing in the afternoon.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Wed 18 Nov 2020	7mm	20.4mm	24mm

Forecast for Friday 20 Nov 2020

Weather: Cloudy with spells of rain, turning heavy for a time but becoming light and patchy during the afternoon. A little sleet for a time on the tops in the early hours but mild air will quickly arrive from the west with rain at all levels.

Maximum wind: South or Southwest 20-30mph with gusts 45mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: Almost nil. Extensive cloud above 300 or 400m for most of the day.

Visibility: Very poor on high ground for most of the time with extensive low cloud giving navigational difficulties. Hazy conditions below the cloud base.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 5C rising to 11 or 12C.
At 600m: Plus 2C rising to 7 or 8C.
Freezing level: Above summits.